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Mock Interview Summary

Date

Thursday, 22 October 2020

Time/Duration

1:15 - 1:55 pm EST

Who interviewed you?

J' Andrea Barrow

How did you feel you did?

I think I did fairly well, especially since I haven't done an interview in 6 months. I was still fairly nervous and definitely could have done with a little bit more prep. I kind of just jumped right into it.

What did you learn and what would like to improve?

We went over what I did well and what I could improve. I wrote her comments below:

- Positive
 - Used keywords from the job description
 - Referenced my resume
 - Confidence in the field I am speaking about
- Could Improve

- Didn't include that I was a current student of the SDM program at Parsons in my "tell me a little bit about yourself"
- Slightly wordy but explained my experience in previous roles well
- Can throw in proficiency in programs (that they are looking for)
- Had 2 questions prepared for "do you have any questions for me?", but I should have had 3 prepared questions
 - I would love to know more about your experience working at [the specific company]
 - What obstacles did you face during a project and how did you overcome them?
 - What would the position look like in the next 30-60 days?

How can I better support you in this process?

She told me that once I start applying for jobs in January, I can set up an interview every time I have a real one. I have never set up a mock interview through career services and it was very helpful! I think that having the STARS and the "elevator pitch" was a great starting point for this. I just would like time now to refine my resume, cover letter, portfolio, elevator pitch, STARS, business cards, etc. I would love to find more information on networking events. I am unsure if you have that information, but I think that would be most helpful during this time.